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Memorandum

February 28, 2008

TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Agnieszka Pinette, Senior Planner, Land Use Regulation Commission
SUBJECT: LURC sets March 14, 2008 deadline for public comments on Plum Creek's proposed concept plan for the Moosehead Lake region

The Land Use Regulation Commission has established 5:00 PM on Friday, March 14, 2008 as the deadline for the filing of written statements by members of the public regarding Plum Creek's proposed concept plan for the Moosehead Lake region (LURC Zoning Petition ZP 707), as last amended on October 26, 2007. Written comments may be sent to the Land Use Regulation Commission, 22 State House Station, Augusta, Maine, 04333-0022. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to LURC@maine.gov.

The March 14 deadline does not constitute final closure of the hearing record. Staff will brief the Commission at its March 5, 2008 meeting on a proposed schedule and process that is consistent with the expressed wishes of Commission members to allow for the evaluation of whether and, if so, how the Concept Plan proposal could be amended to address issues raised during the December 2007 and January 2008 public and party hearings in this matter. To the extent that the Commission considers amendments to the proposed concept plan, those amendments will be posted for additional public comment and interested parties will be notified of any such future opportunities for public participation.

The staff recommended post-hearing schedule is enclosed for your reference. For additional details about the Commission meeting, please visit LURC's web site (www.maine.gov/doc/lurc) or call the LURC Augusta office (207-287-2631).

Enclosure: Staff Recommended Post-Hearing Schedule (February 22, 2008)
XC: Zoning Petition ZP 707 File

ZONING PETITION ZP 707
PLUM CREEK CONCEPT PLAN PROPOSAL FOR THE MOOSEHEAD LAKE REGION
STAFF RECOMMENDED POST-HEARING SCHEDULE

February 22, 2008

March 5, 2008	Commission meeting: Staff/consultants present to the Commission the proposed post-hearing schedule shown below.
March 7, 2008	Opening post-hearing briefs due from petitioner, intervenors and interested persons.
March 21, 2008	Reply briefs due from petitioner, intervenors and interested persons.
April 11, 2008	No later than April 11, 2008, staff/consultants post for comment a draft issues list that will form the agenda for Commission deliberations for public comment.
April 18, 2008	Comments on staff/consultant draft issues list due.
May 7, 2008	Commission meeting: Staff/consultants present to the Commission a draft issues list as the agenda for Commission's deliberations in May. Commission endorses or amends draft issues list and establishes the agenda for deliberative sessions.
Mid/late May	Commission deliberations. At conclusion of deliberations, Commission directs staff/consultants to prepare a draft report capturing preliminary decisions made by the Commission.
July/August	No sooner than July/August 2008, Commission endorses or amends draft deliberations report and posts report for 30-day public comment.
August/September	No sooner than August/September 2008: Commission decision on Zoning Petition ZP 707.
